



Brookfield Sewer Snapshot

Contrary to popular belief, the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) has nothing to do with drinking water into your place—it is purely sanitary sewer. There are approximately 17 miles of gravity sewer and 7 miles of pressurized force mains in Brookfield. All flow from the system ultimately ends up at the “Caldor” Pump Station on Federal Road (at the Kohls shopping center), which then pumps all of Brookfield wastewater flow to Danbury where it is treated at the Danbury Wastewater Treatment Plant. Brookfield is currently discharging an average of 332,000 gallons per day (gpd).

Portions of the wastewater collection system are 45 years old, dating back to 1975, while much of the system was constructed since the 1990s. The sewer system has approximately 1,560 residential accounts, mostly condos and apartments. It also serves 760 commercial or industrial accounts.

The Town of Brookfield owns and operates 14 wastewater pumping stations that convey raw sewage to the regional treatment plant. Each time there is growth in town, the WPCA evaluates how the pump stations will handle the additional flow.

The WPCA currently operates with 6 total staff: 4 full time, and 2 part time employees. Our field staff inspects over 500 manholes, 122 grease traps, and 37 private pump stations, while the office staff handles all accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, and admin. The WPCA outgrew the small office in the Town Hall a few years ago and moved to a new operations center at 53 Commerce Road.

The WPCA Commission consists of 7 appointed volunteer members, with one vacancy that needs to be filled. Our chairman maintains a very thorough website (See www.brookfieldwpca.org). The Commission also works with engineers, an attorney, and accounting firm as needed to keep things flowing smoothly. If you have any questions, feel free to call us at 203-775-7319.